SUPERVISOR OF SHIPBUILDING, CONVERSION AND REPAIR U. S. NAVY PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI 39567

13 October 1977

Dear Admiral Turner:

In your letter of 26 September 1977 you inquired about a place to freshen up after your arrival in Pascagoula for the JOHN HANCOCK (DD 981) christening ceremony.

Prior to the christening ceremony the official party and platform guests will assemble at the LaFont Inn in Pascagoula at approximately 1145. Ingalls will have a room reserved next to the assembly area in order that personnel arriving that morning will have a place to freshen up.

If there is anything we can do to make your trip more pleasant, please let us know. We are looking forward to seeing you and Mrs. Turner on 29 October.

Sincerely,

W. E. McGARRAH Captain USN

Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN The Director of Central Intelligence Washington, DC 20505

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Washington, D. C. 20505

30 September 1977

Dear Captain McGarrah,

The information requested by CWO Finister of your office in a phone call to Herb Hetu, my Assistant for Public Affairs, is attached. The matron of honor will be my mother. Mrs. Oliver S. Turner,

My office will forward a black and white photograph of her shortly.

Both Mrs. Turner and I look forward to meeting you on the 22nd of October.

Thanks again.

Yours sincered

STANSFIELD TURNER

Captain William McGarrah, USN Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion and Repair Pascagoula, Mississippi 39567

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26 September 1977

Dear Captain McGarrah,

Many thanks for your letter to me and your letter to my wife on the christening of JOHN HANCOCK. We are both excited at the prospect and look forward to being with you on the 29th.

My office will be in touch with you as to the precise time of our arrival and the composition of our party. The only requirement I have in mind that would be of help to us would be someplace to freshen up between the plane ride and the ceremony. If there's a suitable place at the shipyard, I would appreciate your arranging it. If that doesn't seem satisfactory, please rent us a motel room somewhere nearby.

Again thanks, and look forward to seeing you on the 29th of October.

Yours sincerely

STANSFIELD TURNER

Captain W. E. McGarrah
Supervisor of Shipbuilding,
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U.S. Navy
Pascagoula, Mississippi 39567

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SUPERVISOR OF SHIPBUILDING CONVERSION AND REPAIR U. S. NAVY PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI 39567

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Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN Director of CIA Washington, DC 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

I was delighted to learn that you have accepted the invitation of the Secretary of the Navy to speak at the christening of JOHN HANCOCK (DD 981).

The christening is scheduled to commence at 12:30 p.m. on 29 October 1977 at Ingalls West Bank shipyard. A reception and luncheon is planned at the LaFont Inn after the christening.

I am enclosing a program of a previous Spruance Class Destroyer christening to give you an idea of the procedures that will be followed in the christening of JOHN HANCOCK. I regret that the christening program for JOHN HANCOCK is not yet complete. Also, I have enclosed information concerning the Spruance Class Destroyers, and a map of the City of Pascagoula for your convenience.

If there is any way that I can be of help to you in making your arrangements, please call me at 601/769-0242.

We are looking forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

W. E. McGARRAH

Captain USN

The Director of Central Intelligence

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The Honorable W. Graham Claytor, Jr. The Secretary of the Navy Washington, D. C. 20350

Dear Graham,

My most sincere thanks for your thoughtfulness in inviting Pat to christen the JOHN HANCOCK. She is thrilled at the prospect, as am I. We are both very indebted to you.

I will, of course, be most pleased to be the principal speaker at the ceremony. We are both looking forward immensely to participating in the ceremony with all its color and tradition.

Again, my sincere thanks.

Yours,

STANSFIELD TURNER

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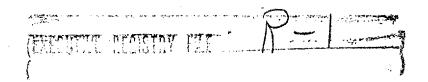
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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE RECORD

SUBJECT:

Information Concerning Christening of JOHN HANCOCK, 22 October 1977

- 1. I have received two phone calls from individuals volunteering to assist with details, and requesting information in connection with the christening of JOHN HANCOCK.
- a. Commander Charles (Charlie) Battaglia (695-6915), currently stationed in CHINFO. CDR Battaglia is in the Community Relations Division and works on all ship christenings and commissionings. He effects liaison with the shipyard, will arrange a Navy aircraft for the christening party, and has volunteered to assist in any other way. He informs me that it is not the practice in Pascagoula to schedule any events the night before the christening. The President of the shipyard is a retired Navy Captain by the name-of Leonard Erb. Public Relations Director is Skeeter Weeks, (601) 769-3971.
- b. The second call came from CWO Hal Finister in the office of Captain William McGarrah, Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion and Repair, Pascagoula, Mississippi 39567, (601) 769-0253/4 or 769-0275. CWO Finister is the project officer in the shipyard and has offered all assistance possible. He says the sponsor is entitled to travel and per diem but the maid or matron of honor is not. Finister requested the following information and materials as soon as possible to assist in preparations:



- 1. Name of the maid or matron of honor.
- 2. Religious preference of sponsor.
- Black and white glossy photograph of sponsor and maid or matron of honor.
- Photograph and biography of Admiral Turner.
- Admiral and Mrs. Turner's guest list with addresses (no limit on the number).
- Travel arrangements and special requirements, if any.

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	Herbert E. Hetu
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